



GAYE BERNES

EXPERTISE

- Adult vocational training
- Team / Workload co-ordination
- Work with children and adults of all ages, cultural backgrounds and special needs
- Community research / interviewing
- Writing of research, production and progress reports
- Community work with persons with: head injuries, soft tissue injuries, orthopedic injuries
- Implementation and development of IPP
- Assess school support required as related to behavioral challenges
- Implementation of treatment for Occupational Therapy, Speech Language Therapy, Physical therapy:
 - ADL / Activation at senior residence / Alzheimer patient
 - Return to self-care
 - Return to homemaking
 - Return to childcare
 - Return to work
 - Teaching Assistant
 - Job coaching
 - Community Travel
 - Community Activities / Fitness
 - Community reintegration
 - Behavior modification
 - Ergonomic modifications and set-up of workstation
 - Relaxation / pain management techniques
 - Educating client and family about diagnosis
 - Teaching / practicing compensatory strategies for physical and cognitive limitations
 - Ordering / setting up / teaching the use of assistive devices

EDUCATION

B.A. Psychology / Sociology (Honours)
York University

1990

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT

Certificate: Advanced Rehabilitation for persons with Brain Injuries 2005
Brock University / OBIA

Certificate: Rehabilitation for Children with Head Injuries 2002
Brock University / OBIA

Certificate: Home and Community based Rehabilitation 2002
Brock University / OBIA

Ergonomics Certification Training, Gillen & Assoc. 1998

Non violent Crisis Intervention

Canadian Red Cross First Aid

Education workshops at Humber College for OTA/PTA

Since 1992 at least once a year conferences, courses or seminars on subjects such as head injuries, capacity, epilepsy, aphasia, chronic pain, special equipment, modes of treatment, ethics, privacy act, community safety.

EXPERIENCE

Rehabilitation Support worker 2005 – Present
Wright Rehab

Provide consistent support to individuals living with ABI to progress toward their rehabilitation goals. Effectively work with a multi disciplinary team to implement strategies to promote independence and skill development in management of daily activities in the home and community. Encourage client coping mechanisms to manage issues of pain, fatigue and frustration. Develop professional session notes to record progress and identify challenges for team review.

Occupational Therapy Assistant, Positive Approach 2005 – Present

Occupational therapy Assistant, Margerete Sagebiel & Associates 2003 – Present

Rehabilitation Assistant, Community Solutions 2002 – 2006

Occupational Therapy Assistant, Therapy for function 1994 – 2003



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Rehabilitation Worker COTA, head injury group

1992 – 1994

Community Research, University of Toronto (Sociology)

1990 – 1992

Volunteer Parent / Teacher's Aid

1976 – 1984

LANGUAGES SPOKEN

English, Dutch